

HEALTH AND SANITATION PROGRAM

*Exchange of notes at Tegucigalpa June 29 and July 6, 1948, supplementing and extending agreement of May 5 and 8, 1942*¹

Entered into force July 6, 1948; operative from June 30, 1948

Program expired June 30, 1960

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The American Ambassador to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

No. 19

TEGUCIGALPA, D. C., June 29, 1948

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to the Basic Agreement between the Government of Honduras and The Institute of Inter-American Affairs, dated July 8, 1942,² as later modified and extended,³ which provided for the initiation and execution of the existing cooperative health and sanitation program in Honduras. I also refer to Your Excellency's note of April 21, 1948, suggesting the consideration by our respective Governments of a further extension of that Agreement.

As Your Excellency knows, the agreement of July 8, 1942, as amended, provides that the cooperative health and sanitation program will terminate on June 30, 1948. However, considering the mutual benefits which both governments are deriving from the program, my Government agrees with the Government of Honduras that an extension of such program would be desirable. I have been advised by the Department of State in Washington that arrangements may now be made for the Institute to continue its participation in the cooperative program for a period of one year, from June 30, 1948, through June 30, 1949. It would be understood that, during such period of extension, the Institute would make a contribution of \$50,000 United States Currency to the Servicio Cooperativo Inter-Americano de Salud Pública for use in carrying out project activities of the program on condition that your Government would contribute to the Servicio for the same purpose the sum of L.500,000. The Institute would also be willing during the same extension

¹ TIAS 1557, *ante*, p. 940.

² TIAS 1557, *ante*, p. 942.

³ TIAS 1557 and 1646, *ante*, pp. 954 and 966.

period to make available funds to be retained by the Institute, and not deposited to the account of the Servicio, for payment of salaries and other expenses of the members of the Institute Division of Health and Sanitation Field Staff, who are maintained by the Institute in Honduras. The amounts referred to would be in addition to the sums already required under the present Basic Agreement to be contributed and made available by the parties in furtherance of the program.

If Your Excellency agrees that the proposed extension on the above basis is acceptable to your Government, I would appreciate receiving an expression of Your Excellency's opinion and agreement thereto as soon as may be possible in order that the technical details of the extension may be worked out by officials of the Ministry of Government, Justice, Health and Welfare and the Institute.

The Government of the United States of America will consider the present note and your note concurring therein as constituting an agreement between our two governments, which shall come into force on the date of signature of an agreement by the Honduran Secretary of State in charge of the Ministry of Government, Justice, Health and Welfare and by a representative of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs embodying the above-mentioned technical details.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

HERBERT S. BURSLEY

His Excellency

Dr. SILVERIO LAINEZ,
Minister for Foreign Affairs,
Tegucigalpa, D. C.

The Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador

[TRANSLATION]

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS
OF THE
REPUBLIC OF HONDURAS

No. 69

TEGUCIGALPA, D.C., July 6, 1948

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to Your Excellency's communication No. 19, dated June 29, 1948, regarding the extension of the cooperative health and sanitation program in Honduras.

With respect thereto, I am pleased to send you a copy in duplicate of Note No. 3728 of the Ministry of the Interior, Justice, Health, and Welfare, accepting the proposal made by your Embassy.

I avail myself of this occasion to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest esteem and most distinguished consideration.

ALEJANDRO ALFARO ARRIAGA

His Excellency

HERBERT S. BURSLEY,

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary

of the United States of America.

American Embassy.

*The Ministry of the Interior, Justice, Health, and Welfare to the Minister
of Foreign Affairs*

[TRANSLATION]

TEGUCIGALPA, D.C., HONDURAS, C.A.

No. 3728

June 30, 1948

MR. MINISTER:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your note, which reads as follows:

"DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS.—National Palace: Tegucigalpa, D.C., June 30, 1948.—No. 3847.—Mr. Minister: I have received the note, the text of which is: 'AMERICAN EMBASSY.—No. 19.—Tegucigalpa, D.C., June 29, 1948.—Excellency: I have the honor to refer to the Basic Agreement between the Government of Honduras and the Institute of Inter-American affairs, dated July 8, 1942, as it was later amended and extended, which provides for initiation and execution of the existing cooperative health and sanitation program in Honduras. I also refer to Your Excellency's note of April 21, 1948, suggesting consideration on the part of our respective Governments of a future extension of the program.—As Your Excellency knows, the Agreement of July 8, 1942, as amended, provides that the cooperative health and sanitation program shall end on June 30, 1948. However, considering the mutual benefits which both Governments receive from the program, my Government agrees with the Government of Honduras that an extension of the program would be desirable. I have been advised by the Department of State in Washington that arrangements may now be made for the Institute to continue its cooperation in the cooperative program for a period of one year, from June 30, 1948 to June 30, 1949. It would be understood that during such extended period, the Institute would make a contribution of \$50,000.00 U.S. cy. to the Inter-American Cooperative Public Health Service, to be used in carrying out the activities of the project in the program, on condition that your Government contribute to the same Service, for the same purpose, the sum of 500,000 lempiras. During the same period of execution,

the Institute would also like to have at its disposal funds, to be retained by the Institute and not deposited to the account of the Service, for the payment of salaries and other expenses of the members of the Institute's Division of health and sanitation field officers who are maintained by the Institute in Honduras. The amounts referred to would be in addition to the sums already required under the present Basic Agreement, to be contributed and made available by the parties in the continuation of the program.—If Your Excellency agrees that the extension as proposed on the aforesaid bases is acceptable to your Government, I should appreciate receiving, as soon as possible, the expression of Your Excellency's opinion and its agreement, in order that the technical details of the extension may be determined by officials of the Ministry of the Interior, Justice, Health, and Welfare and the Institute.—The Government of the United States of America will consider the present note and your note regarding the same matter as an agreement between our two Governments, which will enter into force on the date that an Agreement containing the above-mentioned technical details is signed by the Secretary of State charged with the Ministry of the Interior, Justice, Health, and Welfare and by a representative of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs.—I avail myself of this occasion to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest and most distinguished consideration.—(Signed) HERBERT S. BURSLEY.—His Excellency, Doctor Silverio Laínez, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Tegucigalpa, D.C.'—On transmitting to you the foregoing copy, I respectfully request you to advise me what may be decided in the matter, in order that I may answer the note of His Excellency the Ambassador of the United States.—With all consideration, I am, Mr. Minister, respectfully yours, (signed) SILVERIO LAÍNEZ.—The Minister of the Interior, Justice, Health, and Welfare. His office."

In answer, permit me to inform you, at the same time requesting that you in turn inform the American Ambassador, that the Government of Honduras accepts, in the form proposed, the extension for one year more, of the Cooperative Health and Sanitation Program, created by the Basic Agreement between the Government of Honduras and the Institute of Inter-American Affairs, dated July 8, 1942, and will contribute the sum of 500,000.00 lempiras, to be paid as follows:

In or before September 1948	75,000.00 lempiras
In or before February 1949	75,000.00 "
Total	150,000.00 "

In addition to the foregoing sum, which shall be deposited to the credit of the Inter-American Cooperative Public Health Service in a Bank, the Government agrees to amendment and extension of the Agreement of Project #55 of Honduras (S), "Functioning of the National Tuberculosis Sanatorium, Tegucigalpa, Honduras," signed on February 15, 1948, for an additional year, from July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949, and to provide the sum of

199,640.00 lempiras, which it will deposit to the credit of the Inter-American Cooperative Public Health Service, in the following manner:

On or before	July 1, 1948	16, 636. 66	lempiras
	August 1, 1948	16, 636. 67	"
	September 1, 1948	16, 636. 67	"
	October 1, 1948	16, 636. 66	"
	November 1, 1948	16, 636. 67	"
	December 1, 1948	16, 636. 67	"
	January 1, 1949	16, 636. 66	"
	February 1, 1949	16, 636. 67	"
	March 1, 1949	16, 636. 67	"
	April 1, 1949	16, 636. 66	"
	May 1, 1949	16, 636. 67	"
	June 1, 1949	16, 636. 67	"
	Total	199, 640. 00	"

And finally, the Government will also deposit to the credit of the Inter-American Cooperative Public Health Service, during the period July 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948, a sum not less than 150,360.00 lempiras, for the account of the branches of the Ministry of the Interior and Health, such as Districts, Municipalities, etc. This sum shall be deposited for the express purpose or purposes of specific projects, created by project agreements between the Districts, Municipalities, etc., and the Inter-American Cooperative Public Health Service.

SUMMARY:

Direct contribution of the Government, allocated in the current General Budget of Expenditures	150, 000. 00	lempiras
For functioning of the National Tuberculosis Sanitorium	199, 640. 00	"
Deposits of branches of the Ministry of the Interior	150, 000. 00	"
Total contribution of the Government	500, 000. 00	"

Since I consider that, now the proposal has been accepted, the next step is determination of the technical details of the extension of the agreement by the competent officials of the Government and the Institute of Inter-American Affairs. I wish, with such purpose in mind, Mr. Minister, to express to the American Government, through its Ambassador in our country, the most sincere recognition on the part of the Government of Honduras for this new demonstration of effective cooperation, which will again contribute to strengthening the ties of friendship that have always existed between our two peoples and Governments.

With every consideration, I am, Mr. Minister,
Yours respectfully,

C. COLINDRES ZEPEDA

To the MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS,
His Office.